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## The Morning Star.

### OUTLINES.

The U. S. Senate yesterday, by resolution, expressed its sympathy with the government and people of France in the death of President Faure. — The House sustained the chair, in ruling that Hepburn's motion to recommit the Sundry Civil bill, with instructions to incorporate the Nicaragua canal bill, was not in order; the Sundry Civil bill was then passed, and the Naval appropriation bill was taken up. —— A disastrous flood in the lower portion of the city of Washington is feared. —— A provision for construction of the Nicaragua canal has been added to the River and Harbor bill by the Senate committee. —— A flood in the James river at Richmond, Va., last night carried away a span of Mayo's bridge; the Southern railway bridge was threatened; a coal elevator in the city was on fire, one of the electric light plants was under water and it was expected that the gas works would be flooded. —— The suffrage amendment to the constitution of North Carolina passed its several readings in the House; Rountree made the speech of the day in a three hours' debate on the measure. — British steamer Rossmore abandoned in a sinking condition; crew saved. —— Two bills introduced in the House to pay Spain twenty millions under terms of the Paris treaty. — The funeral of M. Faure, late President of France, will take place next Thursday; Emile Loubet, president of the Senate, will be elected to succeed M. Faure. —— New York markets yesterday: Money was steady at 2½@2½ per cent.; cotton dull; middling uplands 6⅝c.; the flour market disclosed a weak undertone, with buyers and sellers 10@20c. apart, and very little demand; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 85½c.; corn—spot firm; No. 2, 42⅞@44c.; rosin steady; strained common to good $1.30@1.37½; spirits turpentine firm at 45½@46.

### WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 17.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 38 deg.; 8 P.M., 44 deg.; maximum, 58 deg.; minimum, 37 deg.; mean, 46 deg.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.56.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 24 feet and rising.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—For North Carolina—Cloudy; probably rain in the southwest portion; light southerly winds.

### Port Almanac---Feb. 18.

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| Sun Rises | 6.46 A. M. |
| Sun Sets | 5.42 P. M. |
| Day's Length | 10 H. 55 M. |
| High Water at Southport | 2.12 A. M. |
| High Water, Wilmington | 4.42 A. M. |

Boston has an anti-spitting ordinance. But when the average Boston man has anything to say he spits it right out.

A Georgia postmaster is the proud possessor of a 1,000 pound hog which he has been pampering for two years and ten months.

The people of Connecticut have plenty of spare time. Last year they concocted many new devices and took out 831 patents on them. They lead all the States as a patent drawers.

A palmist who has been reading Gen. Miles' hand says it shows daring, tempered by caution. Perhaps if Alger had been a palmist he wouldn't have called Miles' hand until he saw what he had up his sleeve.

A Chinaman explains the fondness for rat meat in his country by saying that it makes the hair grow nice and soft and glossy. And then with characteristic peculiarity the Chinaman shaves off all but a little tuft at the back of the head.

The President of the Royal Meteorological Society of London says this country has the best Weather Bureau in the world. But it gives us some horrible weather sometimes, all the same. A Georgia man says they have had more mean weather in his section since the bureau was established than they ever had before.

They have some powerful mushrooms or some powerful liars in London. One of them (the liars) tells about a mushroom which in growing lifted a paving stone which weighed 500 pounds, and was tightly wedged in between other stones. They should cultivate that kind and eventually they might lift the national debt of England with them.

"Imperialism brings with it militarism," said Mr. John Morley in addressing some Scotch Liberals, "and militarism means the profusion of the tax-payer's money everywhere except in the tax-payer's pocket." But what does the advocate of imperialism care about the tax-payer or the tax-payer's pocket? Generally speaking he is thinking about his own pocket.

### LOCAL DOTS.

— The Clyde steamer *Oneida* arrived last night from Georgetown.

— Only one case engaged the attention of the Mayor yesterday. A Caswell soldier, for being drunk, submitted and paid the cost.

— Members of Engine Co. No. 1 request the STAR to express to Mrs. G. G. Thomas their grateful thanks for publications recently presented them.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

— The schooner *Wm. F. Green*, Captain Clark, from Boston for Wilmington, is overdue several days, having left her destination January 23d. She is a vessel of 217 tons.

— The young friends of Miss Ethel Hopkins gave her a delightful surprise party Thursday night at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hopkins, on Eighth street.

— A boy's overcoat was picked up by a policeman near corner Front and Nun streets day before yesterday. The owner can obtain same by calling at the City Hall and describing it.

— The schooners *D. J. Sawyer*, Captain Kelly, and *Cora M.*, Captain Mitchell, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co. The *Sawyer* is from Punta Gorda and the *Cora M.* from Ponce.

— Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Garland Lynn Wilson, of this city, to Mr. J. C. Robbins, a travelling salesman of Washington, N. C., at the latter place on the afternoon of February 23d.

— The Rev. David Macrae, who was a guest of the late Alex. Sprunt thirty years ago, has consented to preach to-morrow morning in St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Sprunt was one of the founders and first elders.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. W. Sanders.—Two days only.
Williams Bros.—Heavy groceries.
Mercer & Evans-Jenness Miller shoe
Y. M. C. A.—Grand concert.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Thomas Wilson, of Salem, S. C., is in the city.

— Mr. W. A. Jordan, of Evansville, was here yesterday.

— Mr. K. C. Barrett, of Florence, is in Wilmington on business.

— Mr. E. G. Porter, of Goldsboro, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. Giles Westbrook went to Woodside yesterday for a hunt.

— Mr. D. L. Farrior, of Maple Hill, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Rev. R. F. Bumpass, presiding elder for this district, went to Scott's Hill yesterday.

— Master Benj. White, who has been quite sick for the past several days, is rapidly improving.

— Mr. G. R. Williams, of Mallory, S. C., was in the city yesterday, and favored the STAR office with a very pleasant call.

— Lieutenant Rhineburg, of the U. S. R. M. service, arrived here from Charleston yesterday on 48 hours' leave. His numerous friends here regret that his stay will be so brief.

— Miss Mary Bridgers, of Tarboro, who has been spending some time in the city the guest of Miss Della Clark, returned to her home yesterday, having been summoned by a telegram announcing sickness in the family.

**Boat-house and Yachts Destroyed.**

Mr. George Harriss, Jr., yesterday received the news that his boat-house at Summer Rest, on Wrightsville sound, had been burned, together with the entire contents. He received the intelligence in the morning and went down in the afternoon to investigate the origin of the fire, etc. It is thought to have been the work of an incendiary as there was no other possible way in which the building could have caught.

The yachts *Harry T.* and *Nixie* belonging to Mr. Geo. Harriss, the yacht *Restless*, owned by Mr. W. N. Harriss and a lot of spars, rigging, sails and other equipments for the boats, were stored in the house and were also completly destroyed.

The loss is quite heavy and is only partially covered by insurance.

**C. F. A. Debate.**

The debating society of the Cape Fear Academy, the organization of which was recently noted in the STAR, held a spirited debate yesterday on the question, "Resolved, That the United States should annex the Philippines." William Smith, S. C. Potter, Jr., and Geo. Thomas, Jr., represented the affirmative side of the question, and it was argued negatively by August Wessell, George Catlett and J. Holmes Davis. The negative side won the contest.

**Efficient Postoffice Clerks.**

The delayed Northern mail which came in yesterday morning contained about eleven thousand letters and was handled by the postoffice clerks, and distributed in the various boxes in the remarkably short time of 59 minutes. Chief Clerk Ulrich separated the letters for the three cases and the carriers in that time, making in all four separations, and averaging 185 letters to the minute.

### MOVEMENT FOR IMPROVED CAR SERVICE.

**Inaugurated by Wilmington Street Railway Co.—Six New Cars Ordered. Will Put Down Heavier Rails.**

Manager A. B. Skelding, of the Wilmington Street Railway Company, intends to make very material improvements in their already creditable street car service. In fact, only yesterday he placed an order with Messrs. Jackson and Sharp, the well known street car builders of Wilmington, Del., for six handsome new open cars which are to be completed and delivered in this city by April 1st. These, added to the large number of cars already operated by the company, will afford ample service for the thousands of pleasure seekers who will visit this popular resort during the coming summer.

In addition to increasing the number of cars Mr. Skelding will about March 1st, commence the work of relaying the track of the system except the Front street section. The rails will be replaced with new 56 pound rails. This change will also include new turn-out switches.

It is Mr. Skelding's purpose to have the new track laid and in perfect working order by April 1st, when the new cars are to be delivered. It is evident that the Street Car Company proposes to do well their part toward contributing in every way possible the comfort and pleasure of Wilmington's summer visitors.

### A DELIGHTFUL LECTURE.

**Rev. David Macrae, of Scotland, Introduces a Wilmington Audience to "Characters We All Meet."**

A large and representative audience assembled in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last night to hear the lecture, "Characters We All Meet," by the Rev. David Macrae, the noted Scotch lecturer, preacher and author, which was delivered under the auspices of the Hospital Circle of The King's Daughters.

The lecture was evidently very much enjoyed by the entire audience. The lecturer was introduced in a very pleasing manner by Mayor Alfred M. Waddell, and for two hours the audience was delightfully entertained with an instructive and oft-times amusing review of "Characters We All Meet" in every day contact with humanity.

Rev. Mr. Macrae is a pleasing speaker and deeply versed in human nature in its diverse phases.

The event afforded a very profitable and interesting evening, and the STAR is glad to announce that a very creditable sum was realized by the ladies of the Hospital Circle which will be used in their noble work.

### THE GRAND CONCERT TO-NIGHT.

**Many Seats Reserved—Every Promise of Best Musicale of the Season.**

A large number of seats were reserved yesterday in the office of the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the concert to night in the Auditorium by the Louise Brehany Concert Company. The event will certainly be one of the best, if not the very best, musical entertainments which the people of Wilmington have had the opportunity of enjoying this season. By reference to an announcement in the advertising columns of this morning's STAR, it will be seen that the members of the Concert Company are all musicians of established reputation who have held high positions in musical circles of various countries of the world.

**News by the River Steamers.**

The steamer *E A. Hawes*, Captain Black, arrived from Clear Run late yesterday afternoon, after having been frozen up in the ice for several days in Black river. The steamer *A. P. Hurt*, Captain Robeson, is overdue from Fayetteville, but will not be down before Tuesday. Mr. James Madden received a telegram from Mr. W. S. Cook yesterday afternoon, stating that the river was full of ice and dangerous to navigation. The *Sessoms* was last reported at Chinquepin, and is expected at any time. She will bring a load of cotton seed. The *Driver* will be down from Fayetteville to-day.

**Justice Fowler's Court.**

The following cases were investigated by Justice Fowler yesterday; Susan Ann Bradley, colored, arrested by Deputy Sheriff Terry for disorderly conduct; submitted and paid costs.

"Sis" Henry, colored, disorderly conduct; submitted and paid costs.

Edward Green, colored, felonious assault upon Bertha Livingston, also colored, committed to jail in default of $100 justified bond. The latter is the case in which Steve Livingston was the defendant at the beginning of the trial yesterday, but as the testimony advanced it developed that Green was the guilty party and Livingston was discharged.

**New Hanover Medical Society.**

A very interesting meeting of the New Hanover Medical Society was held in Dr. McMillan's office last night. Dr. W. C. Galloway, the president, presided and Dr. F. H. Russell, the secretary, was present in his official capacity.

The feature of the session was the reading of an interesting and carefully prepared paper by Dr. Price. His subject was "The Propriety of Using Proprietary Preparations." There was an unusually good attendance at the meeting.

### 3,125 IN REVENUE STAMPS.

**That Was Amount Required for Deed to C. F. & Y. V. Property Filed for Registration Yesterday.**

The deed conveying the old C. F. & Y. V. Railroad property to H. Walters, B. F. Newcomer, Michael Jenkins, Warren G. Elliot and their associates, was filed for registration in the office of the register of deeds of New Hanover county yesterday. The sum of money involved, including the purchase price of rolling stock is $3,125,000 and the instrument required $3,125 worth of documentary internal revenue stamps, 62 of the number being of the $50 denomination, two of the $10 denomination and one $5 stamp.

The deed conveys the property to the purchasers as joint tenants and not as tenants in common for the use, benefit and behoof of the new corporation, the Atlantic and Yadkin Railway Co., created by the purchasers under and in accordance with the laws of the State.

It is signed by Eugene Martin, Esq., and Clement Manly, Esq., Master Commissioners; Gen. Jno. Gill, Receiver; E. S. Marston and Samuel Sloan, Jr., president and secretary, respectively of the Farmer's Loan & Trust Co., of New York: and by H. Walters, B. F. Newcomer, Michael Jenkins and Warren G. Elliot, as the purchasers.

Details of the sale, the consideration, etc., have already been published in the STAR.

### COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

**Receipts for Week and Crop Year As Posted Yesterday.**

After several days inactivity on account of the snow storm, the local cotton and naval stores markets opened again yesterday with the following quotations: Cotton firm at 6 cents for middling; spirits turpentine steady at 43½@44 cents; rosin firm at 90@95 cents and tar steady at $1.00. There was nothing doing in crude turpentine.

The following weekly and crop year receipts were posted at the Produce Exchange yesterday:

Week ending Feb. 17th, '99—Cotton 332 bales; spirits 47 casks; rosin 1133 barrels; tar 425 barrels; crude 58 casks.

Week ending Feb. 17th, '98—Cotton 568 bales; sprits 205 casks; rosin 2395 barrels; tar 1494 barrels; crude 50 barrels.

Crop year, '99—cotton 284,010; spirits 27,191 casks; rosin 151,066 barrels; tar 62,579 barrels; crude 10,606 barrels.

Crop year, '98—cotton 297,610 bales; spirits 33,789 casks; rosin 145,195 barrels; tar 56,745 barrels; crude 9,933 barrels.

### A SPECIAL A. C. L. TRAIN.

**Will be Run to Newbern Fair on Wednesday—Round Trip $2.40.**

The Atlantic Coast Line has issued a circular announcing a special passenger train from Wilmington to Newbern on account of Eastern Carolina Oyster, Fish, Game and Industrial Fair. It will be run on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., and will leave the Front street depot at 7:40 A. M., arriving in Newbern at 10:45 o'clock, and leave Newbern at 4:50 P. M. on the return trip, arriving in Wilmington at 8 o'clock. This arrangement will give patrons of the train more than six hours to do the Fair. Fare for the round trip will be $2.40, with proportionate reductions for intervening stations.

As heretofore announced by the STAR, the sale of round trip tickets for the Fair, good on all trains until the 28th inst., will commence this morning, continuing up to and including the 24th inst. The fare will be $3.60 for the round trip.

The Fair will open on Monday, continuing until the 25th inst. There is every indication that the greatest success in the history of the Fair Association will be scored.

**Death of a Popular Travelling Man.**

Capt. Edgar L. Hart, who came down on his usual trip on the northern train yesterday afternoon, brought news to the city of the death of Mr. Joe Pippen, a well known and very popular young travelling man of Enfield, N. C. Mr. Pippen was about 21. And was a son of Mr. F. L. Pippen, A. C. L. agent at Enfield. He was well and favorably known in Wilmington, and for the past few months has been travelling for Ades Bros., of Baltimore. While on his last trip, about ten days ago, he contracted typhoid fever at Atlanta, was removed to his home at Enfield two days later and died there yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon, and the interment will be made at Enfield.

**The Great Work of a Woman.**

Every thinking woman who has the comfort of her sex at heart no doubt appreciates the great work done by Jenness Miller, the eminent author and lecturer on physical culture and dress improvement. Jenness Miller has lectured in nearly every large city in America, teaching women how to improve their health and mind and dress their body rationally and comfortably. She has devoted her life to this work, and one of the best things she ever did for her sisters was in designing the shape for the shoe which now bears her name. The Jenness Miller shoes are constructed on strictly hygienic and anatomical principles, and fit the feet as nature intended. They are as stylish and graceful as they are comfortable. These famous shoes are only to be had of Mercer & Evans, 115 Princess street, in this city, and we learn they have already met with a phenomenal sale and give the greatest satisfaction.

### MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK.

**Organized at a Meeting of Stockholders. Board of Directors—President and Cashier Elected.**

As foreshadowed in the STAR several days ago, the new national bank to be established in Wilmington is to be known as "The Murchison National Bank," and the institution is to begin business on or about March 1st. The first meeting of the subscribers to stock was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Murchison & Co., when organization was perfected, the name for the corporation adopted and a board of directors elected.

Capt. W. R. Kenan was elected chairman of the meeting of subscribers to stock and Mr. J. V. Grainger was selected assecretary. The first business, of course, was the selection of a name for the bank and on motion, "The Murchison National Bank" was unanimously adopted.

The capital stock of the bank was fixed at $200,000 and the following Board of Directors was elected: Mr. J. A. Springer, Mr. N. Jacobi, Mr. W. H. Sprunt, Mr. J. C. Stevenson, Mr. T. M. Emerson, Mr. H. C. McQueen, Mr. A. B. Nichols, Mr. A. S. Williams, Mr. J. V. Grainger, Mr. Frederick Kidder, Col. K. M. Murchison, Mr. N. B. Rankin, Mr. W. G. Whitehead, Mr. M. J. Corbett and Mr. R. W. Wallace.

All the subscribers to stock were represented in the meeting either in person or by proxy. Those in attendance were Col. K. M. Murchison, Mr. H. C. McQueen, Mr. J. C. Stevenson, Mr. M. J. Corbett, Mr. W. R. Newbury, Mr. J. V. Grainger, Capt. W. R. Kenan, Mr. W. B. Cooper, Mr. F. H. Stedman, Mr. N. B. Rankin, Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., Mr. M. H. Curran, J. D. Bellamy, Jr., Esq., Col. J. W. Atkinson, Mr. R. W. Hicks, Mr. N. Jacobi, Mr. E. H. Lippitt, Mr. George Honnett, Col. Walker Taylor, Mr. L. P. McKenzie, Mr. James Sprunt, Mr. S. Behrends, Mr. F. A. Lord, Mr. T. M. Emerson, Mr. H. L. Miller, Mr. J. A. Springer, Mr. Frederick Kidder, Mr. R. B. Lancaster, Mr. A. B. Skelding, Mr. R. W. Wallace, Mr. W. G. Whitehead and Mr. Wm. H. Bernard.

**Meeting of the Directors.**

After the adjournment of the subscribers to stock, a session of the newly elected board of directors was held, during which Mr. H. C. McQueen was elected president and Mr. J. V. Grainger cashier.

A resolution was adopted requiring that fifty per cent. of the subscriptions to the capital stock shall be paid in on or before February 25th, so that the institution may open for business March 1st.

The bank will start under most favorable conditions, as it will succeed to the large and well established business of the banking house of Murchison & Co. It is well officered, too, and the Board of Directors is composed of excellent material.

**Banking House Improvements.**

A force of workmen, carpenters and painters, are now busy repairing, renovating and beautifying the banking house on Front street, so that the new institution will begin business in handsome and well appointed quarters.

### A WEEK OF GENUINE FUN.

**The Engagement of "The Jolly Pathfinders" Will Open Monday Night.**

All next week Rentfrow's Jolly Pathfinders will be at the Opera House. For nineteen years the name of Rentfrow has been prominent among amusement managers. The Jolly Pathfinders have a national reputation and their phenomenal success is the reward of merit. Every play in the repertory is the personal property of J. N. Rentfrow and is not an old play pirated and rechristened, as is so often the case with the companies which play weekly engagements. Mr. Rentfrow carries his own band and orchestra and a company which will give enjoyable and laughable entertainments. Ladies will be admitted free Monday night, if for each free admission one reserved seat be purchased prior to 6 P. M., at Gerken's.

Monday night the catchy, well known musical comedy, "The Lightning Express," will be presented. Popular prices will prevail throughout the week.

### BY RIVER AND RAIL.

**Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.**

W., C. & A. Railroad—12 barrels tar.

Carolina Central Railroad—5 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels tar.

Schooner Stella Lee—6 casks spirits turpentine, 35 barrels rosin, 9 barrels tar.

Schooner J D Pigott—3 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 5 bales; spirits turpentine, 16 casks; rosin, 35 barrels; tar, 68 barrels.

**Schooner in Distress.**

The schooner *Sarah A. Fuller*, Capt. Brown, bound for Boston with a cargo of lumber, from Fernandina, Fla., put in at Southport yesterday morning in distress. Capt. Brown, who came up to the city last evening, says that he encountered a heavy blizzard off Frying Pan Shoals, which carried away most of the schooner's head gear, consisting of standing rigging, sails, booms, bowsprit, etc. The *Fuller* arrives to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., and after repairing temporarily, will proceed.

### THE ELECTION LAW.

**Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution Passed the House of Representatives.**

**AFTER THREE HOURS DEBATE**

**Several Democrats Voted With the Republicans Against the Measure. Rountree Made Speech of the Day in Support of the Bill.**

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C. February 17.—The legislative event of to-day was the passage of the suffrage amendment to the constitution on its several readings by more than three-fifths vote of the House. It came up as the special order at noon and after three hours debate passed a second reading by a vote of 89 to 29, and a third reading by 81 to 27.,

All the Republicans and several Democrats voted against the bill. Crumpler (Populist) and Johnson (Populist) of Sampson, and Tarkenton (Populist) of Washington, voted for it. The Democrats voting against it were Barnhill, of Pitt; Currie, of Moore; Curtis, of Buncombe; Fleming, of Clay; McNeill, of Brunswick; Redding, of Randolph; Reinhardt, of Lincoln.

The speech of the day in support of the bill was made by Rountree, of New Hanover. It was a great effort and the applause lasted for nearly a minute when he finished. He said the bill was the result of the most anxious and painful consideration by the committee; it was also the result of mutual concessions on the part of members; but such as it is, has the unqualified approval of all committemen, and all lawyers in the Legislature; it is a measure to secure to North Carolina, for many years at least, good government; it is a just and constitutional measure. He spoke of the experiment of universal suffrage in the earlier years of the century; that it was found to be impracticable; that in late years this feeling has been deepened; that as to Hawaii and Cuba, there is qualified suffrage; that if the people of North Carolina had any doubts about the future of universal suffrage, the Fusion rule of the past four years, and particularly of the past two years, had swept away these doubts. The committee had set to work to solve the question in a just, humane and legal way. There were to be looked after white men, who though unlettered, are capable of the duties of citizenship. The committee felt that no one should take part in the control of the State unless a poll tax was paid. It further decided that there must be sufficient intelligence to perform the duties of a citizen. Some leading negroes were before the committee, and admitted candidly that the negroes voted en masse at the crack of the whip. The committee considered that intelligence should be acquired by inheritance; that this right to franchise might be handed down from father to son. The committee insists that there should be an exception from the rule as to being able to read and write in favor of those whose ancestors have for long years governed this country. The question came up, what will be done as to the fifteenth amendment to the Federal constitution; but the committee say there is no conflict, because there is no mention of any race or color, or of discrimination as such. Some lawyers have said the bill is to disfranchise the negroes, but we say it is only to disfranchise negroes who are unfit for citizenship. Many negroes will have the franchise. The United States Supreme Court opinion as to the Mississippi franchise law, enabled that State to disqualify many more of one race than of another. He said that prior to 1835 a great many negroes were voters. Their descendants can vote. There are also negroes who prior to January 1, 1867, lived in States where they could vote; they and their descendants can vote. He went on to say that seventeen States north of this had qualified suffrage. All descendants of founders of this State are not affected by the amendment. The amendment does not seem to be at all different from the present law in Massachusetts, the latter State having an amendment to exclude the foreign illiterate vote. The Supreme Court of Massachusetts, than which none is abler, has decided this is constitutional. This exception is a reasonable one and is confined entirely to present conditions. Negroes have not voted individually, have not exercised the faculty or right of voting for themselves.

In conclusion, Mr. Rountree said the amendment was entirely compatible with the Federal constitution. It is founded upon fact and principle. The white people have been and will be just to the negroes; have been liberal in education, and will continue to be so.

Speeches were made in opposition to the amendment by Smith (colored), of Craven; Eaton (colored), of Vance; Wright (colored), of Vance; Hampton (Republican), of Surry, and Petree (Republican), of Stokes. The debate was closed by Winston, of Bertie, in a short but eloquent speech, almost every sentence of which was applauded.

The House held another afternoon session and passed some thirty local measures.

The Senate passed many purely local bills. Bills were passed giving Columbus county a dispensary, creating the county of Scotland, and suppressing "blind tigers" in Mitchell county, and incorporating the Atlantic and Yadkin Railway.

The Norwood matter was deferred, since he has resigned.

The Charlotte dispensary bill will to-morrow be favorably reported to the House. Bar-rooms are given till January, 1900 to close.

The Education Committee decided to retain the present school books two years longer, provided change can be made during that time if they can be obtained at 10 per cent. lower price than is now paid.

The Senate Judiciary Committee had Captain Day before it and accepted his resignation, as superintendent of the penitentiary, to take effect February 20th. He wanted to make it March 1, but the committee would not hear to it.

A caucus was held to-night to consider the election law.

### S. C. TRUCK FARMS.

**Great Damage by the Freeze — Some Crops Totally Destroyed.**

[*Charleston News and Courier* 17.]

One of the truck farmers from St. Andrew's Parish said yesterday that great damage had been done to the tender crop by the freeze. He went over his farm after the snow began to melt and ruin was found everywhere. According to his estimate, which is made after a careful examination, the lettuce and peas are about completely destroyed, while the cabbage crop is damaged 33 per cent. The beet crop is about wholly destroyed. The loss will be serious to the farmers, as good headway had been made toward getting in a fine early crop of vegetables for the Northern markets, where high prices are paid for everything sent out from this region.

The truck farmers up the road have also suffered seriously from the snow and the storm. There is satisfaction in the fact, however, that the entire crop is not killed, though some of the farm owners are inclined to think little good will come from what escaped. The reports from various sections are coming in rapidly, and it is only a question of how much has been saved.

**Mr. Kyle Appointed Special Agent.**

Mr. W. E. Kyle, late General Passenger Agent for the C. F. and Y. V. will continue with the Atlantic and Yadkin as special agent with headquarters at Fayetteville. The appointment has just been made by Mr. T. M. Emerson as Traffic Manager. Other appointments recently made are Mr. H. M. Emerson, General Freight and Passenger Agent and Mr. W. G. Pulliam, Freight Claim Agent, the offices of both of course in Wilmington.

**Church Notices.**

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, pastor. Eleven A. M.: "Is a Soul Worth Winning?"; At 7.45 P. M.: "Adrift on the Black Wild Tide."

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., pastor. Divine service at 11.00 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 8.00 P. M. Seats free.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. F. H. Farrington, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

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SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 18.


## "TRUE AMERICANISM."

No one can suspect Andrew Carnegie of partiality for the South. Since coming to this country as a young man his whole life, with the exception of the time he spends in England and Scotland, has been passed in the North. There his social relations and his business interests are. Politically he belongs to a party which has had but little white following or sympathy in the South, and therefore there is no reason why he should have a partial leaning towards the South, but every reason why he should view it as the average Northern Republican does. But Andrew Carnegie has discovered that in the South is to be found the true conservatism, the best wisdom in some things, and true Americanism, just as others have discovered that the truest type of the American is to be found in the South. Some one has said that at no distant day this country would look to the South to protect it from advancing anarchism and other isms that are growing and becoming aggressive and troublesome.

In a communication to the Atlanta *Journal* on the Philippine question Mr. Carnegie incidentally pays tribute to the conservatism and true Americanism of the South, as shown by the position of Southern Senators on the question of expansion. He says:

"I am delighted to see that the South takes ground upon this question much more truly American than the North and especially than the West, probably because it has had a little experience of the race problem.

"If the public men of the United States could obtain an insight into the workings of dependencies, (not the colonies), of Great Britain, the case against expansion would be closed.

"The influence of a superior race upon an inferior race in the tropics is injurious, demoralizing, and never elevating. There is no basis for the claim that American troops in the Philippines can be of service as missionaries; on the contrary troops as a rule require missionaries themselves more than the Filipinos.

"There is no basis for the claim that the United States will increase its commerce by the possession of these unhealthy climes. The president has given the trade away to the nations nearer to it than we. The 'open door' to the foreigner means the 'closed door' to the American.

"There is no basis for the claim that distant possessions will add to the power of our country. On the contrary they will render it less prosperous in peace and more vulnerable in war

"There is no basis for the claim that we are an imperial world power or can become such, until we change our habits. The republic is an industrial hive, without army and without navy in comparison with the armies and navies of imperial powers. When the lion desired to imitate the shark even the monkeys on the trees laughed in derision. The republic is the lion, and before it can play the imperial shark, it needs imperial armies and imperial navies like the other imperial sharks. We are only making ourselves ridiculous, with our war lord at our head, and only three battleships and 50,000 troops at his back.

"Aspiration of independence once raised in a people cannot be suppressed. There is no substitute for nationality. We cannot conquer the Filipinos, and, if we did, they would be a thorn in our flesh. Imperialism is the craze of the hour. True Americanism, such as the South now stands for, is for all time.

I congratulate the south upon its adherence to the principles of Washington and Jefferson, which are bound to prevail.

Speaking of the position of the South on this question, Senator Hoar, in his his Charleston New England dinner speech eulogized the South for her conservatism, her devotion to the constitution and for her reverence for and obedience to the teachings of the fathers of the Republic, and he was one of those who for the better part of his life could see but little to commend in the South. But, like Mr. Carnegie, he has lived to learn that in this Southland the truest Americanism is to be found to-day, an Americanism that sets more value upon national honor than upon national expansion and would not barter the country's integrity for territorial aggrandizment or for commercial gain, however large it might be.

Mr. Carnegie, like Mr. Hoar, has been with his party in nearly all its public policies, but when it launched out on the policy of expansion or imperialism he raised the warning cry and parted company with it upon that. He has written much to show what a disastrous policy that will be, how little this country has to gain from it, how much to lose, and that it can never under the most favorable circumstances hope to recover the amount of money it will require to carry out that policy as to the Philippines. He is so much in earnest and so fully impressed with the disasters that will inevitably follow this policy of imperialism, for that is what the forcible possession of the Philippines means, that he offered to raise the $20,000,000 necessary to pay Spain under the terms of the Paris treaty, on condition that this Government let the Filipinos establish their own government and then withdrew its forces from the islands. In this communication to the *Journal* he reiterates in brief some of the reasons which he had previously written more elaborately, and every one of them is a good reason.

It so happens that in this case Mr. Carnegie finds himself in accord with Southern sentiment, which stands by the constitution of the United States and holds that this is a government of delegated powers, that governments derive the right to rule from the consent of the people, and still adheres to the somewhat antiquated notion that the constitution of the United States has a real existence, is still operative, is entitled to respect and is not to be ignored or set aside whenever it suits the convenience or notions of interested parties to ignore or set it aside.

The Republican party broke away from the Constitution thirty-five years ago and has been doing it ever since when it stood in the way of its schemes, just as now it is trying to distort the Constitution to make it fit their policy of imperialism, while some of them, more frank than others, declare that we have outgrown it. With such a disregard for and contempt of constitutional restraints, with imperialism inaugurated in our new acquisitions, how long may it be, should an extraordinary condition of affairs present itself, before that imperialism will show itself and make itself felt within the borders of the Republic itself? The imperialists who howl for an army of 100,000 men would use those 100,000 men if need be to carry out their schemes and make secure their power.

Well may Mr. Carnegie congratulate the South that imperialism has not taken roof in her soil, and on her true Americanism.

## MCKINLEY IN BOSTON.

The speech which President McKinley delivered in Boston, Thursday evening, was noticeable in several respects. As a whole it was a very cleverly phrased defence of the course pursued by the administration in the matter of the Philippines, and in profession, and in moderation of tone was in striking contrast to some of the speeches delivered by him during his Western and Southern tours, and in decided contrast to the speeches and writings of several representative expansionists of his party. In those speeches he proudly proclaimed that the American flag was up and asked "who would pull it down?" They were pleas for expansion while this speech was practically a denial that expansion was contemplated, and a declaration that is it the intention to keep the flag up only until the people of the islands are sufficiently schooled in the art of self government to govern themselves and when it could be lowered with due regard to their welfare and ours.

As this question must finally be settled by Congress, Mr. McKinley said, perhaps, as much as it was proper for him to say, but in saying it he has virtually endorsed some of the anti-expansion resolutions offered in the Senate which his friends in the Senate refused to adopt, which, if adopted, would have ensured the prompt ratification of the treaty and prevented the trouble and the bloodshed in the Philippines. He might have made that speech thirty days ago with quite as much propriety as he made it in Boston Thursday evening, and with a good deal more wisdom because it would have been more timely. He disavows after war has been precipitated and blood shed what, if it had been disavowed earlier, would have prevented war and bloodshed. But he has probably learned something by studying public sentiment, and has doubtless begun to realize what expansion carried out will cost in blood and treasure and how little we will gain to offset this.

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Senator Caffrey says he will talk a whole week if necessary to block Hanna's ship subsidy bill, while Senator Butler threatens to talk till the 4th of March if necessary to lay Ewart out. The U. S. Senate has wonderful endurance.

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Since his Santiago experience, Gov. Roosevelt, of New York, is not stuck on chemically prepared beef. He doesn't want any of it fed to New Yorkers, and if it is he insists on the organization of a State board to examine it and see that it is fit to be eaten.

## NUT-BEARING TREES.

In these columns we have devoted considerable attention to the discussion of the culture of nuts in North Carolina, especially the pecan and walnut, both of which will thrive in any part of the State. What we wrote stimulated some interest and resulted in the planting of a good many pecan trees. Whether the interest has abated we do not know, but this is a good subject to keep before the people, for nut trees are profitable, for even if they be not profitable for the nuts they will in the future be profitable for the timber. Such timber is becoming scarce and more valuable every year. Bearing upon the pecan, we publish the following, which we find in the Raleigh *Post*:

"For the past few years in some sections of the South considerable attention has been given to planting pecan trees, and the results have been so satisfactory and the profits realized so large that prominent persons that are thoroughly posted, claim that an acre set to pecans is worth $100 and the cost of setting the trees out will not be $5 an acre. A few years ago, pecan trees sold at from fifty cents to one dollar a piece, but now the Pinebluff, Grape and Pecan Co., of Pinebluff, N. C., a reliable concern, is selling the trees at $8.00 a hundred, and twenty-five trees will set out an acre, as the trees soon grow very large. It will not do to plant them nearer than forty feet. The trees should really be set about fifty feet apart. We advise our farmers to write to this company and buy a hundred or more trees. If they are ordered in smaller lots, then prices are higher—one tree 15 cents, six trees 85 cents, one dozen $1.25, fifty $6 00. They are sent by express prepaid at this price. The trees can be planted in cotton or corn fields, and the land can be cultivated until all the trees grow large enough to shade the ground, when the trees will be bearing sufficiently to pay more than any crop that can be planted on the land.

"They can also be planted on worn-out lands that have been allowed to grow up in weeds or trees. They can also be planted among forest trees, by cutting a few of the forest trees down at each place the pecans are planted."

We do not know anything about the Pine Bluff firm to which the *Post* refers, but assuming that it is all right give it the benefit of this free advertisement, as it may facilitate the planting of trees at a moderate cost, in addition to which it is a home concern, and we like to encourage home enterprises.

## A SIGN OF PROGRESS.

A considerable number of railroad charters have been applied for since the present Legislature met, which may be taken as an evidence of progress, although all the roads for which charters are asked may not be built. It at least shows that in the estimation of those who apply for charters there is need of such roads and prospective profit in them. It is proof, too, that those who contemplate investing money in them are pretty well satisfied with the outlook in this State, and have few apprehensions of hostile legislation that would make such investments unprofitable.

It may be incidentally remarked in this connection that there are few States so advantageously situated as North Carolina for the building of new roads to open up sections which are not now sufficiently supplied in this respect. Penetrated as it is by several trunk lines running in different directions, the construction of comparatively short lines will open up and give outlet to large areas tributary to these main lines, and thus at comparatively small expense sections without railroad facilities may be amply supplied. This consideration probably may account for the number of applications for charters that have been made since the present Legislature met.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

——More and more clearly does the policy of the Republican administration appear to be imperialism, with all that the word implies. The people in their present might must strangle the notion in its incipiency, or they will wake up ere long to find their power and their liberties gone. —*Richmond Despatch, Dem.*

—— The fortunes of Central American dictators seem to share the uncertainties of existence peculiar to their creators. Rich estates of which President Barrios had possessed himself during his brief and troubled career have been seized by his creditors, and his widow has only the securities and jewels that she was able to carry away.—*Baltimore Herald, Ind.*

——More taxes—on railroad tickets, on food products, on liquors and on all the multifarious articles included in the schedules of the War Revenue law—such is the chief topic of consideration in administrative circles of the nation's capital. The huge bills which must be annually paid under the hand-nothing down policy of the Republican leaders can only be met by piling on fresh burdens of taxation. The people may squeal in sore distress: but they must pay it. *Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— In the face of the oft repeated assertions of experts that from the present unsanitary condition of Cuba there is great danger of another summer epidemic of yellow fever in the United States nothing has yet been done by Congress to guard against the realization of such a prediction. So little time is left before the adjournment of our national legislature for the enactment of a suitable law to meet the threatened emergency that it is more than necessary to urge immediate action in the premises before it may be too late. It is not so much a question of what should be done as of when it should be done.—*New York Herald, Ind.*


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## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The death of Mrs. Emily Dove, widow of the late Jas. Dove, occurred at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Thos. J. Outlaw, this (Thursday) morning.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: Everybody in Laurinburg remembers "Aunt" Hasty. She died a few days ago at Rocky Mt. She once told the writer that she did not know her exact age, but that she was 40 years old when the "Stars fell" in 1837. According to that she was 103 years old at the time of her death.

— Mount Olive *Advertiser*: Mrs. J. W. Merrett died at her home near this place last Saturday from an attack of pneumonia. Deceased was about 55 years of Age. —Mr. Calvin Wood, of Virginia, reached town on Monday with a drove of 150 cattle that he had bought in the surrounding country for shipment to Virginia.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: A colored man named Mack Johnson started to go from Tillery to his home near Dawson last Saturday night. He walked over the railroad track of the North Carolina Lumber Company. He had passed some dangerous trestles on the road, and it was thought that he became tired and the cold overcame him. It was reported here Wednesday that his body was still lying where it was found. Those near him thought it best not to move him until an inquest could be held.

— Newbern *Journal*: Died in this city February 16, 1899, Mrs. Mary Oliver, age 81 years. —A visitor in the city from Swansboro, tells a curious thing in connection with the recent cold spell. The sound at Swansboro was frozen over, so that persons coul walk upon the ice, the first time this has happened in thirty years. In walking upon the ice innumerable little points were seen sticking above the surface of the ice, which being examined proved to be the heads of mullets, which were frozen solidly in the ice. It is supposed that the mullets sought air as the water congealed and so became fixed in the ice before they could draw back.

## TWINKLINGS.

— "Coppage, you always come in when I'm busy." "No, you always get busy when you see me come in."—*Chicago Record.*

— She—"They've got a lot of sky scrapers in New York now, haven't they?" He—"Yes; but what they really need is a lot of earth scrapers."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Hopeless—"The Jinkle girls have given up all their social ambitions." "Money run out?" "No; they couldn't teach their mother to say 'candelabra.'"—*Chicago Record.*

Strong Enough: Miss Chitterly—"Have you heard the terrible scandal about Miss Goldcutter? I don't know that I ought to repeat it." Miss Pumiceton—"Don't. Just give me your own version."—*Life.*

—Her impression; "Who is Aguinaldo?" asked Maud. "Why don't you know?" replied Mamie. "He's a Malay." "Oh, yes! How stupid of me. One of those people who come from Malaria."—*Washington Star.*

— A Wild Remark: Miss Goode—"Our clergyman is a dreadfully reckless talker!" Askins—"What do you mean?" Miss Goode—"Why, he said this morning that we ought all to struggle to get to Heaven as we struggle to get into society!"—*Puck.*

— Mrs. O'Brien—"Have yez anny ancistors, Mrs. Kelly?" Mrs. Kelly—"And phwat's 'ancistors,' Mrs. O'Brien?" Mrs. O'Brien—"Why, people you've shprung from." Mrs. Kelly (impressively)—"Lishten to me, Mrs. O'Brien; I come from the royal shtock av Donahues thot shpring from nobody—they shpring at thim."—*Puck.*

## A NATURAL MISTAKE.

**Drummer Mistook the Young Woman For a Commercial Traveler.**

Not long ago a New York young woman visited several towns in the western part of the state, her mission being to organize branches of an educational work. She carried with her a dress suit case in which was the gown she wore when she appeared before an audience. At one little byplace of a town she staid overnight at the hotel because none of the evening trains stopped at so insignificant a station.

The next morning she paid her bill, picked up her dress suit case and climbed into the reeling omnibus, which took her and an unmistakable commercial traveler to the train. The commercial traveler eyed her with a persistent interest which the young woman inwardly resented, though she gave no outward sign, but when he took the seat behind her in the car she began to fear active attentions. They came sooner than she had expected, however, and in a form which quite took away her breath. The commercial traveler leaned forward, touched the dress suit case and said genially:

"Do I recognize a fellow 'knight of the grip?'" The young woman stared. The traveling man looked a bit nonplused, but pursued:

"May I ask what is your line?"

Still the young woman stared at him, more in wonder than in anger. As she did not find her voice the man made another attempt.

"I hope I do not offend you," he said courteously. "There is a certain freemasonry between us all, and I counted on your feeling as other women drummers do. I beg your pardon if I have"—

"But I am not a drummer," interrupted the young woman indignantly.

"Not a drummer!" exclaimed the man. "Aren't you traveling with goods?"

"No—I—am—not!" with slow emphasis.

"I beg your pardon," began the man, flushing to the roots of his hair. "I thought—you see, when I saw your case—and then, too, your stopping at the hotel in that little town—and—and you seemed so businesslike and took things so easily—and then the case, too—I think it was principally the case, but it never occurred to me that you were not a commercial traveler. A few years ago they were as rare as bluebirds in January, but now we meet them at every turn. And, as I said, there are always the same frankness and cordiality between us, simply as business acquaintances, as there are between the men who travel. I hope—you really must pardon me."

The young woman said it was of no consequence, and so on, and the man sank back in his seat and wiped his perspiring brow. The affair was interesting as a proof of the constantly increasing employment of women as "knights of the grip."—*New York Sun.*

**Test of a Good Clock In Africa.**

In talking over the minute factors that have meant profit or loss to manufacturers some curious details were given me by experts. For instance, one clock manufacturer of Waterbury, Conn., found that a certain rival was doing a large trade in cheap clocks sent out to the wilds of Africa. He got hold of a sample clock, and finding that there was a heavy profit in the enterprise, invested a large sum of money in making a still better clock, thousands of which were shipped to the same market. Strange to say, sales were very slow, while his rival, turning out a cheaper and far less accurate timepiece, was selling all he could make. Finally the explanation came. Savages like noise. The clocks made by the original exporter had a particularly loud and aggressive tick. His imitator made a better clock, but it was almost noiseless, and the savages would have none of it. The remedy was simple. The next shipment of clocks to the Guinea coast ticked louder than anything previously heard there, and all went well.—Philip G. Hubert, Jr., in Scribner's.


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## THE GRIP EPIDEMIC.

**Opinions of New York Physicians as to Cause and Cure.**

[*New York Exchange.*]

"There is probably no family in the city of which some member is not laid up, or at least attacked by the grip."

"While grip is the same old enemy, it seems to be very different this season from other years. On the streets and street cars and in the churches one meets with people violently sneezing, with running eyes, coughing and with a woe-begone expression on their faces. Like all epidemics of this kind, few are exempt. It attacks the rich and poor alike, and physicians are being worked night and day.

"To obtain reliable information on this most important subject a reporter recently called upon some well known physicians to learn from them what he could do in relation to it.

"All agreed on the opinion that the malady was rapidly increasing, and that in most cases it was of an extremely dangerous nature.

"One medical man, who is said to have treated no less than one hundred grip patients in a single week, said to the reporter."

"Serious results will always follow an attack of the grip if it is not properly treated. Often it runs into pneumonia and always it leaves unpleasant or dangerous complications. It seems to be different this year from ever before. My experience has shown that the worst grip comes when the body is clogged up and when the secretions fail to have the right exit."

"Have you ever seen a sewer or a drain clogged. Well, that is precisely the condition of the body that invites grip. The fluids have no means of escape and so they back up and flood everything, just as a clogged sewer floods the street. Is this not natural? It is certainly true."

"When a person is attacked by grip," the doctor continued, "he should not try to fight off the sensations of cold, aching limbs and extreme weariness under the impression that he has simply an ordinary cold, but should stay indoors, avoid excess of eating and drinking and above all take a timely remedy."

The reporter being anxious to discover what the public considered a timely remedy and was taking most, visited the leading drug stores and interviewed the proprietors. The general opinion was well expressed by the manager of a prominent Fifth Avenue pharmacy, who said: "Grip? Yes, it is raging. But it seems to come in a different way from any former years. People come into our store all clogged up. Not necessarily in the head, but all over the body. They have headaches, it is true, but then they have backache too and pains all through the system. You know the body is like a city. All the waste matter must be carried away. When the sewers do not work there is trouble. People are beginning to understand that they must keep the sewers, especially the kidneys, in good condition, or they cannot hope to escape or regain health. What is the remedy? Well, we have a store full of so-called remedies, but we have only one which our customers find produces the effects desired. We do not recommend anything, but I can tell you what the people use. It is something reliable, something which is certain to unclog the system, something which is recommended by physicians and is very popular with the people—Warner's Safe Cure. We look upon it as the safest and best remedy that any one can take when suffering from the many, many serious ailments so common at this season of the year."

This information is certainly of the highest importance in view of the increasing number of people who are suffering from colds, chills, grip and the ills of the season. Very often the serious results which follow these attacks might have been avoided if the proper remedy had have been taken in time. Health is a serious matter and especially at this season of the year, when so many things are fighting bitterly against it.

**The Judge's Slip.**

A mistake which caused a ripple of amusement to run through a western courtroom was made by an absentminded judge.

He had to pass sentence on a highwayman. After stating clearly the disgrace which the man had brought upon relatives and friends by his lawless and dishonest life the judge said, "And in consideration of these many offenses against the law, committed by you, you are hereby sentenced to seven years' hard labor in the legislature."

"Penitentiary, your honor," hastily corrected the prosecuting attorney in a respectful whisper.

"What?" said the judge blankly. "Oh, yes; the penitentiary. But the difference is only a slight one. Of course I should say"—

Here his honor abruptly ceased, and what he should have said was left unsaid. —Youth's Companion.

**Arab Music.**

Who shall define Arab music? It has been described as the singing of a prima donna who has ruptured her voice in trying to sing a duet with herself. Each note starts from somewhere between a sharp and a flat, but does not stop even there, and splits up into four or more portions, of which no person can be expected to catch more than one at a time.

John Oliver Hobbes says there is a great law of infidelity in the human race. A man must be faithless to something, either to a woman or his deity or his most cherished belief. The Arab musician is always unfaithful—to his stave and his keynote. But faith unfaithful makes him falsely true to the ears of his hearers, and they enjoy and applaud his wrangles with harmony. Their singing reminds one of the wails of a bereaved Thomas suffering from an acute attack of gastritis, complicated with neuralgia.—Cairo (Egypt) Sphinx.

**Pierre Loti,**

Pierre Loti, who is on the retired list of the French navy, says; "I could easily have obtained advancement, but I thought it better to leave that to others who intended to make their career on the sea. I only remained in the navy from taste and because I consider that a man must have a post of combat in time of war. In peace I confess that the navy was my favorite pastime—I would say 'sport' were it not almost a blasphemy to employ the term in this connection."

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**EPIDEMIC OF "JERKS."**

**A Singular Affliction That Accompanied a Southern Religious Revival.**

Religious history, so full of anomalies, nowhere chronicles anything stranger than this epidemic of "jerks." It began at Red River church in Robertson county, Tenn., about 1802 and spread thence in every direction. So did the revival wave, of which it was an accompaniment rather than a manifestation. If the influence, whatever it was, came with vigor, the most hardened sinner was not exempt. Sometimes it affected barely one foot; sometimes it took both; again it was one hand and the feet or the arms alone; sometimes the head was the seat of attack, and it drew violently from side to side with fixed features and glassy, staring eyes. Those who fought hardest against it fell prone, writhing, twisting, crying out with the pains of severe cramps. Those who sat passive fell into something like a mild catalepsy.

Pious folk sang and shouted "Glory!" as they jerked. Frightened sinners laid hold upon the nearest stable thing and wrestled mightily to free themselves. It was no light matter to be thus at grips with "the power," as the simpler folk called this undefinable force. Dow, the preacher, tells of passing a camp ground some miles out of Knoxville and seeing upon the grounds 50 to 100 stout saplings, cut off breast high and made smooth for the jerkers. "The earth roundabout them was torn up as by horses stamping at flies or bulls in anger," he adds naively and goes on to say the jerk antidote is, of all conceivable things, dancing.

—Particularly for Christians the jerks were exquisitely painful, but as soon as the jerkers began to dance pain was banished, they became intensely happy, assumed a fixed upward gaze, as though looking into the gates of gold, and wore a heavenly smile. Sinners could dance away pain, but lacked the blissful exaltation. Sometimes they danced themselves into insensibility and came out of it weak, as if recovering from mortal illness.—Godey's Magazine.

**Sol Smith Russell and the Autograph.**

"Speaking of autographs on registers," said a veteran hotel man the other evening, "I once witnessed a singular little incident in the town of Independence, Mo. I was visiting a friend at that point when suddenly the whole state was set wild by the news that Frank James, the famous bandit and last of the gang, had surrendered to the authorities. He was brought to Independence for safe keeping, pending his trial, and was met at the depot by an enormous crowd, mainly from Kansas City, which is only 20 miles away.

Before locking him up the officers took him to the hotel for dinner, and he registered like any other guest. Instantly the counter was besieged by a mob of fellows, who fairly trampled over one another in their frantic efforts to see the bandit's chirography, and bidding for the autograph soon began. One man offered $5 as a starter. He was promptly raised to $10, and at last, after a spirited competition, the prize was knocked down for $30 spot cash.

"While this animated scene was in progress a quiet stranger with a lean, melancholy face was standing at the rail taking it all in. I recognized him as Sol Smith Russell, the comedian, who was playing an engagement in Kansas City. After the autograph was sold Russell beckoned mysteriously to the landlord.

"'Say, mister,' he whispered impressively, 'what's the very least you'll take for the blotter?'"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **BAGGING—** | | | |
| 2 ℔ Jute | | @ | 6 |
| Standard | | @ | 7 |
| **WESTERN SMOKED—** | | | |
| Hams ℔ ℔ | 12 | @ | 12½ |
| Sides ℔ ℔ | | @ | 8 |
| Shoulders ℔ ℔ | 6½@6 | | 6½ |
| **DRY SALTED—** | | | |
| Sides ℔ ℔ | 5½@5 | | 5¾ |
| Shoulders ℔ ℔ | 6 @ | | 6½ |
| **BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—** | | | |
| Second-hand, each | | @ | 1 10 |
| New New York, each | | @ | 1 20 |
| New City, each | | @ | 1 30 |
| **BEESWAX ℔ ℔** | | @ | 22 |
| **BRICKS—** | | | |
| Wilmington ℔ M | 5 00 | @ | 7 00 |
| Northern | 9 00 | @ | 14 00 |
| **BUTTER—** | | | |
| North Carolina ℔ ℔ | 15 | @ | 18 |
| Northern | 20 | @ | 22 |
| **CORN MEAL—** | | | |
| Per bushel, in sacks | 40 | @ | 50 |
| Virginia Meal | | @ | 50 |
| **COTTON TIES—℔ bundle** | 75 | @ | 80 |
| **CANDLES—℔ ℔** | | | |
| Sperm | 18 | @ | 25 |
| Adamantine | 8 | @ | 11 |
| **CHEESE—℔ ℔** | | | |
| Northern Factory | 10½@ | | 11½ |
| Dairy Cream | | @ | 11 |
| State | | @ | 10½ |
| **COFFEE—℔ ℔** | | | |
| Laguyra | 13 | @ | 16 |
| Rio | 8 | @ | 10 |
| **DOMESTICS—** | | | |
| Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard | | @ | 5¾ |
| Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s | | @ | 70 |
| **EGGS—℔ dozen** | 11 | @ | 12 |
| **FISH—** | | | |
| Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel | 22 00 | @ | 30 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl. | 11 00 | @ | 15 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel | 16 00 | @ | 18 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl. | 8 00 | @ | 9 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel | 13 00 | @ | 14 00 |
| Mullets, ℔ barrel | 3 50 | @ | 4 00 |
| Mullets, ℔ pork barrel | 5 00 | @ | 8 00 |
| N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg | 3 00 | @ | 3 25 |
| Dry Cod, ℔ ℔ | 5 | @ | 10 |
| " Extra | 4 25 | @ | 4 50 |
| **FLOUR—℔ ℔** | | | |
| Low grade | | @ | 3 00 |
| Choice | | @ | 3 50 |
| Straight | 3 75 | @ | 4 00 |
| First Patent | 4 50 | @ | 5 00 |
| **GLUE—℔ ℔** | 7½@8 | | 8½ |
| **GRAIN—℔ bushel—** | | | |
| Corn, from store, bgs—White | 53 | @ | 75 |
| Car-load, in bgs—White | | @ | 55 |
| Oats, from store | 40 | @ | 45 |
| Oats, Rust Proof | | @ | 45 |
| Cow Peas | 60 | @ | 75 |
| **HIDES—℔** | | | |
| Green salted | | @ | 5½ |
| Dry flint | | @ | 10 |
| Dry salt | | @ | 9 |
| **HAY ℔ 100 ℔s** | | | |
| Over Hay | 50 | @ | 75 |
| Rice Straw | 40 | @ | 45 |
| Eastern | | @ | 75 |
| Western | | @ | 75 |
| North River | | @ | 75 |
| **HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔** | 1½@ | | 1¾ |
| **LARD, ℔ ℔—** | | | |
| Northern | 5 | @ | 7 |
| North Carolina | 6 | @ | 10½ |
| **LIME, ℔ barrel** | 1 15 | @ | 1 25 |
| **LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—** | | | |
| Ship Stuff, resawed | 18 00 | @ | 20 00 |
| Rough edge Plank | 15 00 | @ | 18 00 |
| West India cargoes, according to quality | 13 00 | @ | 18 00 |
| Dressed Flooring, seasoned | 18 00 | @ | 22 00 |
| Scantling and Board, com'n | 14 00 | @ | 15 00 |
| **MOLASSES ℔ gallon—** | | | |
| Barbadoes, in hogsheads | | @ | 35 |
| Barbadoes, in barrels | | @ | 28 |
| Porto Rico, in hogsheads | | @ | 27 |
| Porto Rico, in barrels | | @ | 28 |
| Sugar House, in hogsheads | 13 | @ | 14 |
| Sugar House, in barrels | 14 | @ | 15 |
| Syrup, in barrels | 15 | @ | 25 |
| **NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis** | 1 60 | @ | 1 65 |
| **PORK, ℔ barrel—** | | | |
| City Mess | | @ | 11 00 |
| Rump | | @ | 10 50 |
| Prime | | @ | 10 00 |
| **ROPE, ℔ ℔** | 10 | @ | 12 |
| **SALT, ℔ sack, Alum** | | @ | 1 10 |
| Liverpool | 75 | @ | 80 |
| American | 70 | @ | 75 |
| On 100 ℔ Sacks | | @ | 67½ |
| **SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M** | 5 00 | @ | 6 50 |
| Common | 1 50 | @ | 2 25 |
| Cypress Saps | 2 25 | @ | 3 00 |
| **SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd** | 5¾@ | | 5¾ |
| Standard A | 5 | @ | 5¼ |
| White Extra C | 5 | @ | 5¼ |
| Extra C, Golden C | | @ | 5 |
| C, Yellow | | @ | 4¾ |
| **SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern** | 3½@ | | 4 |
| **STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel** | 6 00 | @ | 14 00 |
| R. O. Hogshead | | @ | 10 00 |
| **TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping** | | @ | 9 00 |
| Mill, Prime | | @ | 7 00 |
| Mill, Fair | | @ | 6 00 |
| Common Mill | 4 50 | @ | 5 00 |
| Inferior to ordinary | 3 00 | @ | 4 00 |
| **SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed** | | | |
| ℔ M 6x24 heart | 7 50 | @ | 8 50 |
| " Sap | 5 00 | @ | 5 00 |
| 5x24 Heart | 4 50 | @ | 5 00 |
| " Sap | 4 00 | @ | 4 50 |
| 6x24 Heart | 6 00 | @ | 6 50 |
| " Sap | 5 00 | @ | 5 50 |
| **TALLOW, ℔ ℔** | | @ | 3 |
| **WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern** | 1 22 | @ | 1 25 |
| North Carolina | 1 20 | @ | 1 20 |
| **WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed** | 18 | @ | 19 |

## COMMERCIAL.

### WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 17.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 43½ cts per gallon for machine-made casks and 44 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 90 cents per bbl for strained and 95 cents for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 31½@32c; rosin, firm, $1.30, $1.25; tar firm, 95 cts; crude turpentine firm at $1.50, $2.00, $2.00.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Spirits turpentine | 16 |
| Rosin | 35 |
| Tar | 68 |
| Crude turpentine | 00 |

Receipts same day last year.—80 casks spirits turpentine, 407 bbls rosin, 253 bbls tar, 7 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6 cts per pound for middling. Quotations:

| | |
|---|---|
| Ordinary | 3 9-16 cts ℔ lb |
| Good Ordinary | 4 15-16 " " |
| Low Middling | 5 9-16 " " |
| Middling | 6 " " |
| Good Middling | 6 5-16 " " |

Same day last year middling 5⅝c.

Receipts—5 bales; same day last year, 568.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds: extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm: 42½ to 47½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 9.50 per M

## FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 17.—Money on call was steady at 2¼@3½ per cent., last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 2¾@3¼ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486@486¼ for demand and 484@484¼ for sixty days. Posted rates were 485 and 487. Commercial bills 483@483½ Silver certificates 59¼@60½. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds weak. State bonds in

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### Statement of ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, Wilmington, N. C.

At the close of Business Feb. 4th, 1899. Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

| RESOURCES. | | LIABILITIES. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Loans | $ 695,879.37 | Capital | $ 125,000.00 |
| Overdrafts | 589.31 | Surplus | 70,000.00 |
| U. S. Bon'ds par | 95,500.00 | Undivided profits | 18,446 05 |
| Banking House and Fixtures | 10,000.00 | Circulation | 40,950.00 |
| Due from app'd res've ag't's $110 483 68 | | Dep sits U. S. Treas | $ 50,000.00 |
| Due from other banks | 185 165.38 | Deposits from Banks | 218 477.45 |
| Cash on hand | 112,176.13—407,825.19 | Deposits from individuals | 691,987.58—958,415.08 |
| Total | $1,209,813.08 | Total | $1,209,813.08 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

| | Feb. 4. '97. | Feb. 4. '98. | Feb. 4. '99 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Deposits | $589.000 | $687.091 | $958,415 |
| Surplus and Net Profits | 64 100 | 74,200 | 88,446 |

Dividend Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

☞ Last Installment of Capital Paid in October, 1898. fe 16 tf


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### MOONLIGHT IN LONDON.

Lo, a monster moon on the borders of the city,
Suddenly cast up through the mist of evening, looms
Golden, leaning low on the ridge of distant house tops,
Nodding like one drunken with the cloudy fumes,
Turns a drowsy eye like a weary queen of revels
On the lamplit streets and the crowd that saunters free,
Where in din and splendor the city takes her pleasure,
Glowing like a sunset, roaring like a sea!

Lo, the moon has silvered climbing up the heavens,
On the topmost peak hangs like a white blown rose
O'er the sleeping city dim and weird and solemn,
With vague murmurings yet in the depths of her repose,
Given o'er to dreams! She, mistress of enchantments,
Woodland charms of night, on every dreamer there,
Every shadowy street, sends down her spells commingled
With her silver dew exhaled, dissolved in air.
—Walter Hogg in Spectator.

### A DAUGHTER'S HEROISM.

**How Sir John Cochrane Was Saved In Scotland's Dark Days.**

In the troubled times of Scotland Sir John Cochrane was condemned to death by the king. The death warrant was on its way. Sir John was taking leave of his daughter at the door of his prison. "Farewell, my darling child. I must die tomorrow." His daughter replied, "Oh, no, father; you must not die!" "But," said her father, "the king and the law are against me, and the death warrant will be here tonight. My dear child, do not deceive yourself. I must die at dawn." His daughter answered resolutely as she left him: "Father, you shall not die. Pray! Pray to God for your life!"

At dark on the moors of Scotland a young knight stood hidden in a thicket by the wayside, waiting for the mail carrier bringing Sir John's death warrant. The knight as the postman came by suddenly sprang at him, threw him and with superhuman strength wrenched the mail pouch from the surprised man and disappeared with it in the darkness.

Fourteen days were thus gained for the prisoner, during which time his father confessor was pleading for his pardon, and before the two weeks expired it came from the king. The door of his prison swung open, and Sir John went forth free. All day at home he was surrounded by rejoicing friends, congratulating him. At night when he was alone the young knight appeared at his door desiring admittance. Sir John gave orders to admit him at once. The knight, entering, said, "Here are two documents, Sir John; read and destroy them." Sir John read them and grew white to the lips. They were his death warrants! Shivering, he threw them into the fire. "But," said he, "who is this brave stranger that has saved my life at the risk of his own? Who are you?" The knight threw off helmet, cloak and jerkin, and, lo and behold, his own daughter stood before the astonished Sir John, "Gracious heaven!" he cried, "my child! My savior! My own precious daughter!"—Exchange.

**A Charge In the Dark.**

The "crack, crack" of repeated shots came from the gloom along the front of the line. In the center some one fell forward stumblingly and went down, swearing viciously at the chance which made him the target for a bullet. The line wavered as the men saw the fall.

"Go on! Go on!" the lieutenant cried, but broke off abruptly. "Oh, d—n! I've got it in the arm!" he said.

"Load!"

Cartridge boxes opened, breech blocks snapped noisily, and the line went forward with renewed spirit. From the front a sudden volley rattled, straggling and irregular. No. 3 whirled against the corporal, raised his hand to his head and went on staggering and irresolute.

A shrill whistle, and the panting men halted sharply.

"Fire!"

A crashing volley shattered the momentary silence. Groans and curses came from among the trees ahead, and the noise of running feet. The sounds grew fainter. The line moved on again to where the hill crest cut a gray black line against the sky. Nearer the top—nearer! A nervous rush, a desperate scramble, and the crest was reached.

From far down the other side came the sound of muffled crashing in the tangled undergrowth. In a little patch of open three figures lay, outstretched, motionless. Out of the bushes at one side of the open an object staggered and stopped, swaying to and fro. It shook a shattered fist at them and cursed. Then it fell forward lumpishly.—Lippincott's.

**Missed the Trance.**

Mary had been to have her fortune told, and when she came back her mistress noticed that she was rather cross and slammed the dishes around in a most destructive manner.

"Why, what is the matter, Mary?" she queried presently. "Didn't she tell you a good fortune?"

"Oh, yes, it was good enough, if that's all," snapped Mary, "but I don't believe in them card tellin women like her. She give out that she didn't use no cards 't all, but went into a transome, an then when I got there she hauls out two dirty decks, an never a transome does she have. She can tell all the good fortune she wants t'—I wouldn't believe a word out of her mouth!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**The Owe Sheridans.**

Richard Brinsley Butler Sheridan, the great Irishman, was all his life long in dire straits for money, and when he died, in 1816, the bailiffs were actually in possession of his house. Sheridan's forbears had been O'Sheridans.

"Why," asked on one occasion his little son, "why have we not the O' as well as they?"

"Heaven only knows!" was the father's reply. "We ought to have it, for we owe everybody."

**Declared His Intentions.**

Fond Mother—Has Signor Arturo, with whom you have been dancing all the evening, at last declared his intentions?

"Yes, mamma."

"Thank goodness! What did he say?"

"He declared he would never get married."—Roxbury Gazette.

A basement store in New York displays the sign to passersby: "Umbrella Hospital. Doctor's Hours, 7 A. M. to 9 P. M. Fractures and Other Injuries Quickly Cured."

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**Replaced.**

Mistress—Why, Bridget, what on earth are you doing with all the broken dishes on the shelf?

Bridget—Sure, mum, yes towld me Oi wur to replace every one Oi broke.—London Answers.

### A LONG LIVED RACE.

**Some Remarkable Facts About the Hebrews—Their Longevity.**

Probably few persons outside statistical circles are aware of the fact that the Jews are considerably longer lived than any other civilized race.

Of 100,000 Hebrews born on the same day there will be 50,684 males and 49,316 females. At the end of the first year the 100,000 Jewish infants will have established in a most remarkable way their superiority in point of vitality, for only 8,091 will have died, as compared with 14,193 in the English experience and 16,706 Americans.

Striking as this difference is, it will be found to be practically maintained throughout the later stages of life. At the end of five years only 13,844 Jewish children out of the 100,000 will have died, while out of a similar number of English children 24,679 will have joined the great majority, and America will still keep her bad pre-eminence with 26,912 angels.

Making a leap to middle age, the deaths at 50 years of age will have been 26,519 Jews, as compared with 49,079 English, and at age 65 the mortality returns will stand at 37,449 and 66,110 respectively.

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Besides the curious reversal of the usual proportion of males and females, there is another unique feature in the Jewish statistics. The general experience is that the average duration of life is higher with the female than with the male. The opposite is the case with the Jews. Of the 25,185 Jewish survivors at the age of 85 there will be 16,295 men and only 8,910 women, a percentage of 64.60 males and 35.40 females. The English experience shows that at that age 59.60 per cent of the survivals will be females and 40.10 males.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

**The Progressive West.**

It is probable that no country has ever invested so much spiritual, moral and monetary capital in education, taking into account the brevity of its history, as the west. It has done far more for its intellectual life than the east did in the same number of years. It is, in fact, repeating the history of the east, for it is eagerly assimilating the experience of the race, expressed in its thought, its art and its history. This is the impulse behind the passion for knowledge, the instinctive desire to know what the race knows and then to co-operate in the race life and work. In the face of declamatory declarations of independence of the past this instinct steadily asserts itself and has its way. Real freedom comes from that mastery, through knowledge, of historic conditions and race character which makes possible a free and intelligent use of experience for the purposes of progress. This is the process through which the west is now passing and which gives its society a deep and appealing interest. For out of this movement for the clear realization in its own consciousness of its race relationships and inheritance, modified by its own conditions and shaped by its own needs, are to come at no distant date its own ideals.—Hamilton W. Mable in Atlantic.


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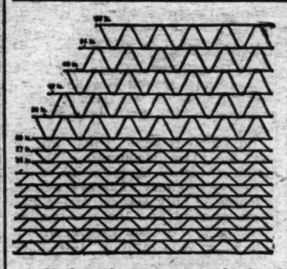

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Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 2:30 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 3:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:43 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

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Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:30 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:18 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 409—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:20 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M. Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:30 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:26 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M. Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 15—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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| Leave Fayetteville Junction | 12 35 " |
| Leave Sanford | 1 50 " |
| Leave Climax | 3 44 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 4 15 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 4 25 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 5 13 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove | 5 44 " |
| Leave Rural Hall | 6 13 " |
| Arrive Mt. Airy | 7 35 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 1 DAILY. |
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| Leave Mt. Airy | 8 45 A. M. |
| Leave Rural Hall | 10 00 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove | 10 36 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 11 07 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 11 55 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 12 13 P. M |
| Leave Climax | 12 42 " |
| Leave Sanford | 2 30 " |
| Leave Fayetteville Junction | 3 49 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 3 59 " |
| Leave Fayetteville | 4 05 " |
| Arrive Wilmington | 7 05 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 4 DAILY. |
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| Leave Bennettsville | 8 00 A. M. |
| Arrive Maxton | 9 03 " |
| Leave Maxton | 9 07 " |
| Leave Red Springs | 9 35 " |
| Leave Hope Mills | 10 20 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 10 40 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 3 DAILY. |
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| Leave Fayetteville | 4 53 P. M. |
| Leave Hope Mills | 4 53 " |
| Leave Red Springs | 5 35 " |
| Arrive Maxton | 6 02 " |
| Leave Maxton | 6 15 " |
| Arrive Bennettsville | 7 15 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 16 Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday. |
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| Leave Rameour | 6 40 A. M. |
| Leave Climax | 8 30 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 9 17 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 9 35 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 11 07 " |
| Arrive Madison | 11 55 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 18. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday. |
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| Leave Madison | 12 30 P. M. |
| Leave Stokesdale | 1 18 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 2 30 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 3 00 " |
| Leave Climax | 3 50 " |
| Arrive Rameour | 5 30 " |

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DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.02 P. M., Petersburg 4.31 P. M., Richmond 7.00 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.50 A. M., Philadelphia 3.53 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 2.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.08 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.18 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 58—Passenger—Due Lake Wacca maw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.26 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.18 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 12.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., 88. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.06 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.36 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 6.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.00 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.36 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 3.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 8.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 8.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.53 P. M., Halifax 4.18 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.52 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.53 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leave Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrive Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.10 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11 32 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount †1.45 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.19 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M. daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.30 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 6.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.30 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Hartsville ——— P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.42 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 5.45 A. M. Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.05 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 8.15 P. M., Darlington 6.39 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 3.50 P. M., 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M. Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.55 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.55 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.39 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.12 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

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# The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 18.


## PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

**Resolutions of Sympathy With France. Sundry Civil Bill Passed—Naval Appropriations Taken Up.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—At its session to-day the Senate adopted a resolution instructing the Vice President of the United States as President of the Senate, to express to the Government and the people of France the sympathy of the Senate in the bereavement that has fallen upon the French republic in the death of President Faure.

The Naval Personnel bill, for which the Navy Department has been contending for so many years, was passed by the Senate this afternoon. It was under discussion for several hours, but was passed practically in the form in which it was reported by the Senate committee. Its provisions have heretofore been fully given. The remainder of the day's session was devoted to the passage of bills on the private pension calendar, seventy-four in number, and to the reading of the Alaska Code bill. The agreement under which the Alaska bill was read provides that no other business than the formal reading should be transacted.

Senator Tillman presented to the Senate a letter from Octavius White, of New York City, offering to the Senate three notable paintings of revolutionary war scenes by his father. Mr. Tillman said he had referred the matter to the committee on library of the Senate which had considered the subject. The paintings had been sent to this city and pronounced to be really works of art.

Senator Hanborough, acting chairman of the committee, offered a resolution accepting the paintings and providing for suitably hanging them in the Senate wing of the Capitol. The resolution was adopted

Among the bills passed was one granting authority to the Pensacola and Northwestern Railroad Company to build bridges over certain rivers in Alabama.

Senator Hawley, chairman of the Military Affairs committee, gave notice that on Monday, at the close of routine business, he would move to take up the Army Reorganization bill.

The Senate adjourned at 6:15. P. M.

**House of Representatives.**

In the House to-day a bill was passed authorizing the President to appoint five additional cadets at large to the Naval Academy.

During the course of the brief debate upon the bill it developed that one of these cadetships was to go to a son of Captain Gridley, who commanded Admiral Dewey's flagship at the battle of Manila, and another to a brother of Ensign Worth Bagley, of North Carolina, the hero of the torpedo boat Winslow's encounter with the masked batteries in Cardenas harbor, Cuba.

The "regular order" was then demanded. This was the vote upon the motion made just prior to adjournment yesterday to lay upon the table the appeal from the decision of the chair wherein the Speaker ruled that Mr. Hepburn's motion to re-commit the Sundry Civil bill with instructions to incorporate it in the Nicaragua Canal bill amendment was not in order. No quorum having developed upon the motion yesterday, the vote was again taken by ayes and noes. The chair was sustained and the appeal laid upon the table—155 to 96. The Sundry Civil bill was then passed.

**Naval Appropriation.**

The House then went into committee and took up the Naval Appropriation bill. The bill as reported carries $44,168,605, exceeding by $8,485,546 the largest bill ever reported by the Naval committee, but being $3,765,300 less than the estimates. No general debate was demanded upon the bill and its reading for amendment under the five minute bill was immediately commenced.

An attempt to defeat the provision for a joint arrangement between the government and the Fitchburg Railroad Company at the Boston naval yard failed. A point of order against the provision in the bill relative to the re-arrangement and re construction of the buildings at the Naval Academy went over until to-morrow.

At 5 o'clock the House took a recess until 8 P. M., the evening session being devoted to private pension legislation.

## CONDITION OF TRADE.

**An Enlargement of Business Due to the Unexampled Prosperity of a Growing Population.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly *Review of Trade* will say to-morrow:

Beyond question business is expanding and in many branches it is larger, notwithstanding speculative combinations which tend to reduce it. All monopolies or attempted monopolies stimulate business while they are coming, but tend to stifle it after they come, and the throng of combinations and trusts which have been formed or proposed, have given a temporary but very questional impetus to trade. But beyond the influence of these there is a genuine and substantial enlargement of business due to the unexampled prosperity of a growing population.

No fictitious demand has caused a rise in grain, for the exports continues so heavy in wheat and corn that the advance of 3½c in wheat is abundantly justified and the rise of ½c in corn seems scarcely enough for the occasion.

Nor does the foreign demand for cotton abate, though the price has again been raised 3-16c during the past week. The exports have decreased some, but the controlling fact is that a remarkable shrinkage in receipts from plantations appears to indicate a smaller yield than has hitherto been expected. It should be remembered that the receipts have been greatly hindered of late by bad weather, and when it passes away they are likely to look large, as they now look small, but snow in New Orleans also means failure to save and market some cotton which might otherwise be saved.

The heavy demand for goods helps to advance prices just now, although no assurance can be given that the declining prices will not presently check that demand.

Failures for the week have been 178 in the United States, against 295 last year, and 18 in Canada, against 35 last year.


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## NEW PRESIDENT FOR FRANCE.

**National Assembly Will Meet To-day to Elect a Successor to M. Faure.**

## EMILE LOUBET NOMINATED.

**President of the Senate and Former Premier—His Election Assured—The Funeral of the Dead President to Take Place Next Thursday.**

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Feb. 17.—The premier, M. Dupuy, has fixed the meeting of the National Assembly, of Congress, in which the Senators and Deputies unite in voting for a President of France, for 1 o'clock to-morrow afternoon at Versailles.

At a meeting of the Leftist Senators to-day M. Loubet, the president of the Senate and former premier, was unanimously nominated for the Presidency of France, in succession to the late President Faure. The Senators consider that M. Loubet's election is assured.

At a meeting of eighty Progressist Republicans to-day, the candidature of M. Meline, the former premier, as a successor of the late President Faure, was adopted. Later in the day it was announced that M. Meline, in spite of the objections of his supporters, has withdrawn his candidature for the presidency in favor of M. Loubet. M. Dupuy declines to enter the political contest against M. Loubet.

**M. Loubet's Election Assured.**

In view of the apparently united support of the Senate and M. Meline's withdrawal in his favor, it was generally thought this afternoon that M. Loubet's election is almost assured.

The funeral of the dead President will take place next Thursday, in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, and the interment will occur in the cemetery of Pere Lachaise. The Senate and the Chamber of Deputies adjourned to-day as a mark of mourning.

The official certificate sets forth that the death of the President was caused by "congestion and hemorrhage of the brain."

After the remains had been embalmed the body was attired in evening dress, with white waistcoat crossed by the grand cordon of the Legion of Honor. It was then laid on a white mattress in the study. The remains will lie in state in the ball room of the palace which is already draped with black.

A mass for the repose of the soul of President Faure was celebrated in the chapel of Elysee Palace to-day. The family of the deceased was present.

**Telegrams of Condolence.**

A flood of telegrams of condolence from all parts of the world continues. Probably the most interesting are those of Emperor Nicolas, conveying his sorrow and that of the Czarina; President McKinley, representing the feeling of the sister republic, and Emperor William, praying that God would grant the widow strength to bear her sorrow.

Among the most noticeable wreaths is the Kaiser's, composed of orchids and Parma violets, bearing the monogram "W," surmounted by the Imperial crown. In sharp contrast to this are a couple of pretty bunches of flowers, with ribbons inscribed to "our friend and ally," and bearing the visiting cards of the Czar and Czarina respectively.

[M. Emile, who is about 61 years of age, was born in the department of the Drome and began his political career in 1876. In 1892 he formed a ministry, became minister of the interior, but was overthrown on account of the Panama revelation. He was re-elected president of the Senate on January 2nd last.]

Some fatality follows the presidents of the French republic. Of the six only President Grevy lived through a full term of office, and he was forced to resign by a hostile vote of Parliament. Marshal MacMahon found he could not remain President with dignity. M. Casimir-Perier's motives for throwing up the situation are still a mystery. Carnot was assassinated, and Faure smitten as if by a thunderbolt.

Public events in France have a strange suddenness and take spontaneously a dramatic character. Thus, M. Faure's body lies in a salle des fetes, or hall of festivities. The cards had been issued to 6,000 persons to attend a state ball on Thursday. Today, the tapestries of the ball room have been taken down that the room may be hung in black.

PARIS, July 17.—At the meeting of the cabinet this evening M. Dupuy, the Premier, announced that 5,000 photographs of the Duc d'Orleans had been seized on the frontier.

PARIS, Feb. 16—Midnight—Shortly before midnight it was announced that M. Meline had definitely accepted candidature for the presidency.

## TO PAY SPAIN TWENTY MILLIONS.

**Two Bills Introduced Yesterday in the House of Representatives.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Two bills were introduced in the House to-day to pay Spain $20,000,000, provided for in the Paris treaty. One by Representative Cannon is in the terms of the provisions of the paragraph which was eliminated from the Sundry Civil appropriation. The other was introduced by Representative Gillette, of Massachusetts, and in addition to the appropriation contains a second section substantially in the language of the McEnery resolution passed by the Senate. The third section is the same as the Bacon resolution offered as an amendment to the McEnery resolution and which was defeated by a tie vote in the Senate.

## BRITISH STEAMER LOST.

**The Rossmore Abandoned in a Sinking Condition—All on Board Saved.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17—The tank steamship Rotterdam, which arrived to-day, reports that on February 6, in latitude 40.33, longitude 48.26, she sighted the British steamer Rossmore, from Liverpool to Baltimore, in a sinking condition. The Rotterdam took off all on board the Rossmore, forty two in all, including eight cattlemen. The Rotterdam stayed by the Rossmore for sixty hours. Capt. Duncauson, of the Rossmore, reported that nine of his men had been taken off by the steamer Trojan.

There was a pronounced movement in the Senate yesterday looking to a compromise on the Army Reorganization bill. The movement originated with several Republican Senators, who advanced the opinion that a compromise was preferable to an extra session of Congress.

## EMBALMED BEEF COURT OF INQUIRY.

**First Session Held—Will Begin Taking Testimony Monday—Gen. Miles the First Witness.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—The Court of Inquiry to investigate the allegations of the Major General of the Army in respect to the quality of the beef furnished the army during the war with Spain, met to-day in the rooms formerly occupied by the war investigation commission, in the Lemon building. A full membership was present and the court went into secret session to discuss the preliminaries of the proceedings and to endeavor to sketch out the line of inquiry to be pursued.

At 1 o'clock Col. Davis, the recorder, gave out a statement as to the court and its work. To day and probably all of to morrow, he said, will be occupied with an examination of reports of regimental and other commanders who participated in the Cuban and Porto Rican campaigns, the object being to select witnesses to be summoned. In addition to these reports the proceedings of the war investigation commission will be looked to for suggestions of witnesses. The taking of testimony will hardly begin before Monday. The sessions then will be open. General Miles is expected to testify first, presenting his charges and their foundations. The investigation is to be limited strictly to canned roast beef and refrigerated beef, but the scope of the inquiry will be so as to follow the beef from packer to private soldier, so that the action of the packers and all War Department officials connected with the beef supply will be investigated. Colonel Davis said the inquiry would continue indefinitely and he could give no idea as to the time of its termination.

Speaking further of the investigation and probable testimony, Colonel Davis said the court was not limited in its sittings to Washington, but under the order convening it could travel from place to place. This statement is considered significant, for, while the court has announced no determination to go elsewhere, there is a possibility that it will visit the Chicago and South Omaha packing houses, where the beef in question was prepared.

The list of witnesses will include many civilians as well as army officers. Suggestions as to witnesses from any quarter, Colonel Davis said, would be considered and all would be summoned who, it might seem likely would throw any light upon the controversy.

## THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

**Jurisdiction of the United States to be Rapidly Extended Over the Entire Group—Plan of Operations.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—The administration has determined to rapidly extend the jurisdiction of the United States over the whole of the Philippine group, acting on the theory that delay in this case is dangerous and that anarchy and a general paralysis of such interests as the islands support will be brought about through a failure to promptly replace the Spanish sovereignty over the islands by that of the United States. This decision involves the necessity of a naval campaign and this will be instituted as soon as Admiral Dewey receives the reinforcements in the shape of gunboats now on the way to Manila.

It is not anticipated that there will be a necessity for any formidable demonstrations, but the fact that the United States government is able to exhibit a sufficient force to accomplish the purpose of occupation is expected to deter the natives from profitless resistance. Owing to the vast number of the Philippine islands, a large number of gunboats would be required to visit them simultaneously, so the programme will be to have the vessels visit in order the principal towns outside of Manila.

The naval vessels probably will be accompanied by some troop transports and the troops will be landed, where necessary, to hoist the United States flag and take possession formally of the ports. It is understood that there will be no attempt made at this time to displace any of the existing municipal governments except where they prove refractory and offer resistance.

## A FLOOD THREATENED.

**People in Washington City Apprehensive. Residents in Threatened Districts Preparing to Leave.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—There is a strong apprehension to-day of a disastrous flood in the lower section of the city. The indications are favorable to it. At Great Falls, sixteen miles up the Potomac, the river has risen seven and one-half inches. The coating of ice on the Potomac here is about ten inches; below and to the mouth of the river it is from twelve to fifteen inches and the upper Potomac averages about ten inches of ice. Added to this are the great snow masses that bank up the entire Potomac. Property owners and residents in the threatened districts have made preparations for instant removal, and it has been urged to blow up the historic Long Bridge, which spans the Potomac at this point, and is used by four trunk lines of railroads. This always has been a menace to lower Washington, as it would act as a dam for an ice gorge.

## RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

**Committee Added a Provision for Construction of the Nicaragua Canal.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—The Senate Committee on Commerce today completed its consideration of the River and Harbor bill, the last act of the committee being the addition of the provision for the construction of the Nicaragua canal. The bill has not been printed as completed, and will not be in shape to be reported until tomorrow.

The whole bill, exclusive of the Nicaragua canal amendment, carries an expenditure for the next year to the amount of about $14,000,000 and for the following two or three years of about $38,000,000 making a total expenditure of about $42,000,000.

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## FLOOD AND FIRE IN RICHMOND, VA.

**Many of the Streets in the Lower Parts of the City Are Under Water.**

**GREAT DAMAGE TO PROPERTY**

**Mayo's Bridge Practically Ruined—Railroad Bridges Threatened—Gas and Electric Light Plants Under Water—City in Darkness.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 17.—The situation here to-night is pitiable and alarming, and is still growing more alarming every moment. The fear of high water has been realized and the rush of the increased volume and the ice from the upper James, together with the back-water from the gorging of the ice below the city, has resulted in one of the heaviest floods ever known here. The wharves at Rocketts, the landing place for steamers, and the streets for blocks around, are under water, and the Virginia Navigation Company's wharf has been swept away. The depressed section of the city, between Shockoe and Church Hill is also under water, and hundreds of cellars are flooded.

Early to-night it was reported that the Manchester end of Mayo's bridge, connecting Richmond with Manchester, which is a foot and vehicle bridge, had been swept away. This proved not to be correct, but its condition is such that a further rise in the river of a few inches will cause the demolition of the whole structure.

The Southern Railway bridge across the James river is in great danger, and may go before morning.

One of the electric light plants is under water, and power and lights are cut off from certain sections of the city. The gas works are momentarily expecting an overflow.

To add to the calamities of the night, the lime and cement warehouse and coal office of S. H. Hawes & Co. were destroyed by fire. Loss, $25,000; insured.

Midnight.—Reports from up the river are more encouraging. At Columbia, the great danger point, where the heavy tributary water to the James is received, only sixteen and a half feet is reported and the rise is slow. The danger here from ice-gorging and back-water will continue. It is impossible to estimate the loss to merchants in the lower part of the city from the flooding of first floors and cellars.

**Streets Under Water.**

At 1 o'clock this (Saturday) morning Main and Grace streets, from Thirteenth to Seventeenth, are under water. Included in the area covered is one of the principal markets, and as many persons are short of provisions owing to the recent snow storm, this will work great hardship.

Mayo's bridge is practically ruined. The ice has lifted spans of it off the piers and bulged and twisted it in many places. More hope is entertained for the Southern Railway bridge; a train has just crossed it. The other bridges are not in danger. All the electric lights in the city are out and the streets are in total darkness.

In the flooded district a number of elevators are run by electricity and the cutting off of power has prevented the removal of goods to the upper stories. There are several tobacco warehouses in the district under water and as it is impossible to get teams to move the tobacco great loss is expected. Though the flood was feared, owing to the unusual conditions, it came sooner than was expected and the people hardly had any warning. In most great rises heretofore that have had to cope principally with up country water, and could make some calculation as to when it would reach here.

## COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

**For the Week Ending Friday, February 17, 1899.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Feb. 17th:

| | 1899. | 1898. |
|---|---|---|
| Net receipts at all U S ports during the week..... | 68,650 | 186,863 |
| Total receipts to this date..... | 6,981,741 | 7,097,685 |
| Exports for week.. | 119,392 | 162,135 |
| Total exports to date..... | 5,590,444 | 5,073,109 |
| Stock in all U. S. ports ..... | 840,812 | 1,233,149 |
| Stock at all interior towns..... | 472,904 | 530,453 |
| Stock in Liverpool, | 1,784,000 | 1,168,000 |
| American afloat for Great Britain... | 175,000 | 244,000 |

## FOUR CHILDREN CREMATED.

**Dwelling House of a Woodsman Burned. Mother and One Child Escape.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb, 17.—A dwelling house at French Run, thirty-five miles east of DuBois, Pa., belonging to a woodsman named Carlson, was burned this morning. Carlson was away from home, but his wife and five little children were in the house. The mother was awaked by the noise of the crackling wood, and had just time to grasp her baby and jump from a second story window into the snow. She was then obliged to stand and witness the burning to death of her four little ones.

## WARM WIRELETS.

The total bank clearings in the United States for the week were $1,393,621,001; per cent. increase 2.5. Exclusive of New York, $535,394,081; per cent. increase 4.9.

The transport Saratoga sailed from Charleston, S. C., carrying the second battalion of the Third volunteer engineers, a cargo of lumber and supplies for the troops in Cuba.

A telegram from the Fruit Growers Union at Lenio, Ga., states that the peach crop in that section has not been damaged by the recent freeze, and a full crop is expected.

No material changes were reported to day from the several States in which senatorial contests are being waged. The deadlock in none of them shows any signs of being broken.

Representative Cranford, of Texas, is very ill at the Providence Hospital in Washington, D. C. He has been so low that his friends do not expect him to recover.

Judge Furman, in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court of New York, has set the second trial of Mrs. Fayne Moore, charged with extorting money from Martin Mahon, proprietor of the New Amsterdam hotel by means of the badger game, for Monday, February 27th.


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## THE ADAMS POISONING CASE.

**Inquest Adjourned Until Monday—Important Developments—The Guilty Parties Known.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 17.—Without making very great progress towards the solution of the mysterious Adams poisoning case, the coroner's inquest this afternoon adjourned over until Monday.

The most important developments connected with to-day's session were the testimony of John D. Adams, the secretary of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, who went upon the stand and told how he happened to mention Roland B. Molineux in connection with the sending of the bromo-seltzer to Cornish, by recognizing a similarity in the hand-writing of Molineux and the person who sent the bottle containing the poison to Cornish, the request of Cornish to again go upon the stand, and the statement of Dr. Hitchcock that if he were again put upon the stand he could clear up the mystery of the two glasses.

Shortly after the noon recess to day Harry Cornish sent a friend to Coroner Hart, asking for a private conference. The coroner sent back word to the physical director he saw no need of a private conference, and that he could tell publicly all he knew by resuming the witness stand. Cornish announced his immediate readiness to testify again. "What I shall disclose will help immeasurably in solving this mystery," he said.

It is very probable he will give his evidence on Monday as Coroner Hart and all concerned profess to have not the slightest objection to his resuming the stand if he intends to throw some light upon the mysteries of the case.

A report emanated to-day from the district attorney's office to the effect that the persons who had murdered Mrs. Adams and Harry C. Barnet were known, and the State had sufficient evidence to convict them. This evidence has not yet been submitted to the grand jury, nor will any of the lawyers at the district attorney's office or Colonel Candler himself, explain the delay.

Despite the time which the evidence in the case is taking, Assistant District Attorney Osborne to-day said that Mrs. Roland P. Molineux would certainly be placed upon the witness stand. This probably will be on Monday next, to which day adjournment has been taken.

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